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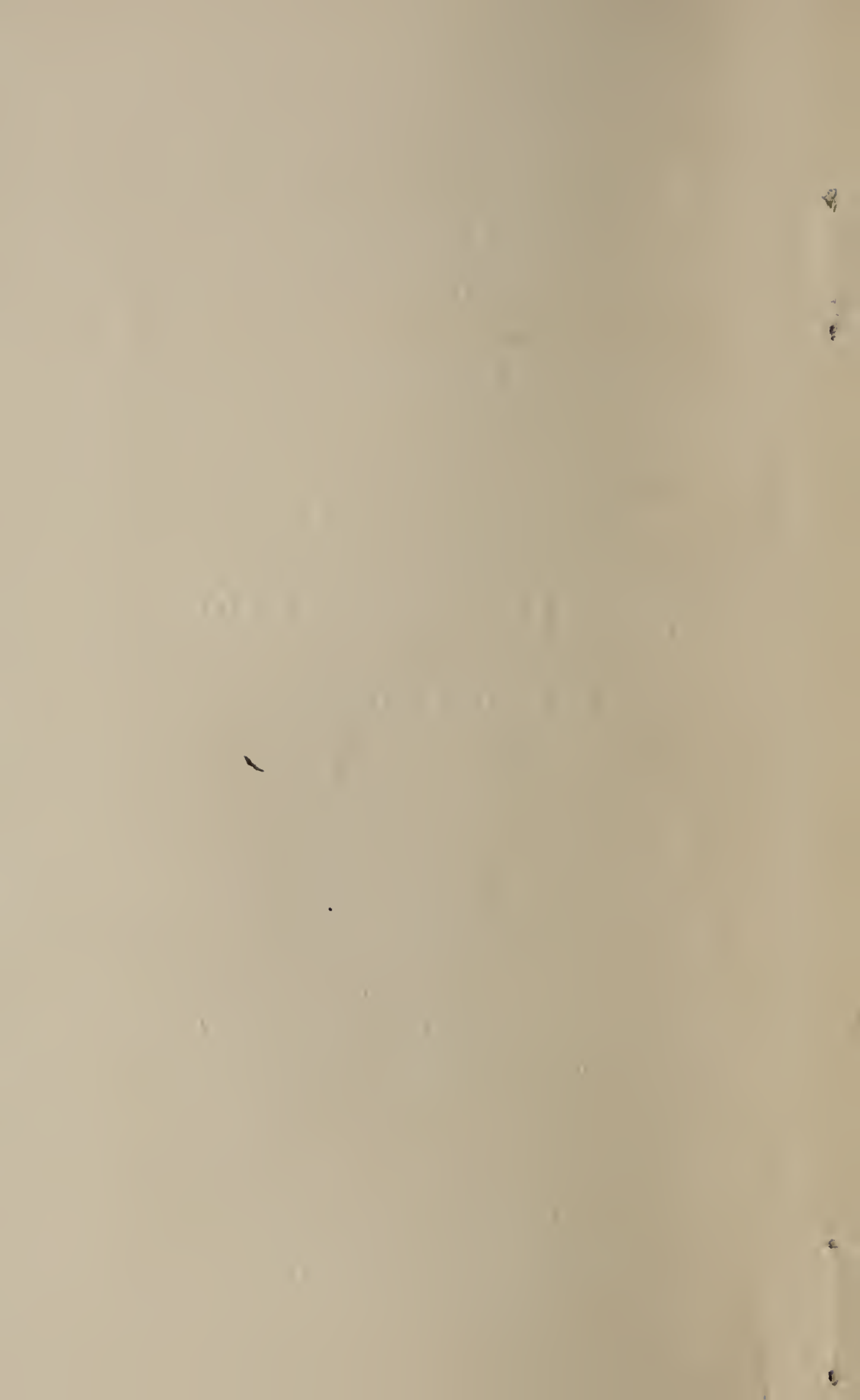
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For the purpose of uniting all American citizens who recognize the importance of immigration in the up-building of these United States in a combined effort to further the public interest through promoting the welfare of immigrants, there is hereby established an association to be known as the LIBERAL IMMIGRATION LEAGUE.

ARTICLE I.

Objects of the League.

- I. To effect the proper regulation of immigration and better distribution of the immigrants.

2. To diminish and prevent the overcrowding of immigrants in large cities, and especially at the ports of entry, by systematically aiding them to go to towns and farming districts in different parts of the country where their services will be most available.

3. To help immigrants to form in assigned localities such new settlements as will benefit both them and the community.

4. To advocate the enactment of such legislation as will most effectually promote this direction of immigrants.

5. To oppose any further increase of the restrictions imposed by the present immigration laws, and all unjust and un-American methods of administering these laws.

ARTICLE II.

Membership.

SECTION I. The membership of this League will be divided into two classes, designated as Members and Associate Members.

SECTION 2. Members shall be organized associations and societies which are in sympathy with the aims and purposes of the League.

SECTION 3. The Associate Membership shall consist of individual persons of good moral character who are citizens of the United States.

SECTION 4. Each corporate member shall be entitled to two delegates to all meetings of the League for each one hundred or fraction of that number of members of their respective organizations.

SECTION 5. Associate Members shall be entitled to a seat and have the right of debate at all meetings of the League, but shall not have the right to vote at such meetings.

ARTICLE III.

Membership Dues.

SECTION 1. Corporate Members shall not be obligated for any stated

membership dues, or any payments other than voluntary contributions.

SECTION 2. Associate members shall pay into the Treasury of the League an annual fee of One Dollar.

SECTION 3. The annual fee shall be payable on the first day of July of each year, and the first payment shall constitute the initiation fee.

ARTICLE IV.

Location and Branches.

SECTION 1. This League shall have its Central Office in the City of New York, but Branches thereof may be established anywhere within the jurisdiction of the United States.

SECTION 2. Two or more associations, or ten or more individuals, may combine to form a branch of this League. Such branches shall frame their own form of organization subject to the Constitution and By-Laws of this League.

SECTION 3. Branches composed of individual members shall be entitled to one delegate to the general meetings of the League for each fifty or fraction of that number of members of the branch.

ARTICLE V.

Officers.

SECTION 1. The officers of the League shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI.

Duties of the Officers.

SECTION 1. The President shall preside over all meetings, perform the usual duties of his office, and be chairman of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2. The Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President in case of the latter's disability or absence. He shall be ex-officio member of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of the League shall also be Secretary of the

Board of Directors and ex-officio member thereof. He shall perform the usual duties of his office and shall have the custody of all papers and documents appertaining to the general business of the League.

SECTION 4. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the League subject to such regulations as shall be provided by the Board of Directors. He shall present full reports of such receipts and disbursements at such times as shall be prescribed by the aforesaid regulations and shall be ex-officio member of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 5. The Board of Directors shall comprise a minimum of twelve members, in addition to the members ex-officio. The Board shall have power to add to its own membership as time and occasion may render expedient and it shall be its duty to make such rules and regulations as may be requisite in conducting the affairs of the League.

ARTICLE VII.

Managing Director.

SECTION I. The Board of Directors shall elect from their own membership a Managing Director, who shall have charge of the Central office of the League with power to appoint and remove his immediate assistants. He shall supervise and direct the expenditures of the League under regulations provided by the Board of Directors and be empowered to call upon the Treasurer for the funds requisite for that purpose. He shall make an accounting of such expenditures once in each month and on such other intervals and occasions as the Board of Directors may determine. The Managing Director shall be ex-officio member of all standing committees of the Board.

ARTICLE VIII.

Meetings of the League.

SECTION I. There shall be an annual meeting of the League during the month of May of each year, the date and place of such meeting to be

determined by the Board of Directors, and not less than thirty days' notice thereof to be given by the Secretary to the members of the League.

SECTION 2. Special meetings of the League may be called by the President or through him at the written request of five members of the Board of Directors, not less than ten days' notice of such meeting and of the purpose of the same to be given by the Secretary to the members of the League.

SECTION 3. At all meetings of the League the members present shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IX.

Amendments.

This Constitution may be amended by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the members present at any meeting of the League, provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall have been included in the notice of such meeting.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

Applications for Membership.

SECTION 1. Organizations may become corporate members of this League by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, on written application for membership addressed to the Liberal Immigration League, New York City. Such applications shall state the number of members of the applicant society, and be accompanied by a copy of its Constitution and By-Laws and a list of the members.

SECTION 2. Individuals may become associate members of the League by a majority vote of the Board of Directors on written application addressed to the League as above, accompanied by the annual payment of \$1.00.

ARTICLE II.

Meetings of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 1. A stated meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held once in each month, at such time and place as the Board may determine.

SECTION 2. Special meetings of the Board may be convened by the President, or through him on the written request of three of its members.

SECTION 3. At all meetings of the Board, one-third of the full number of members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE III.

Committees.

SECTION 1. The President shall appoint from among the members, associate members, and Board of Directors, the following Committees :

General Committee.

Advisory Committee.

Membership Committee.

Committee on Ways and Means.

Educational Committee.
Committee of Observation.
Committee on Public Meetings.

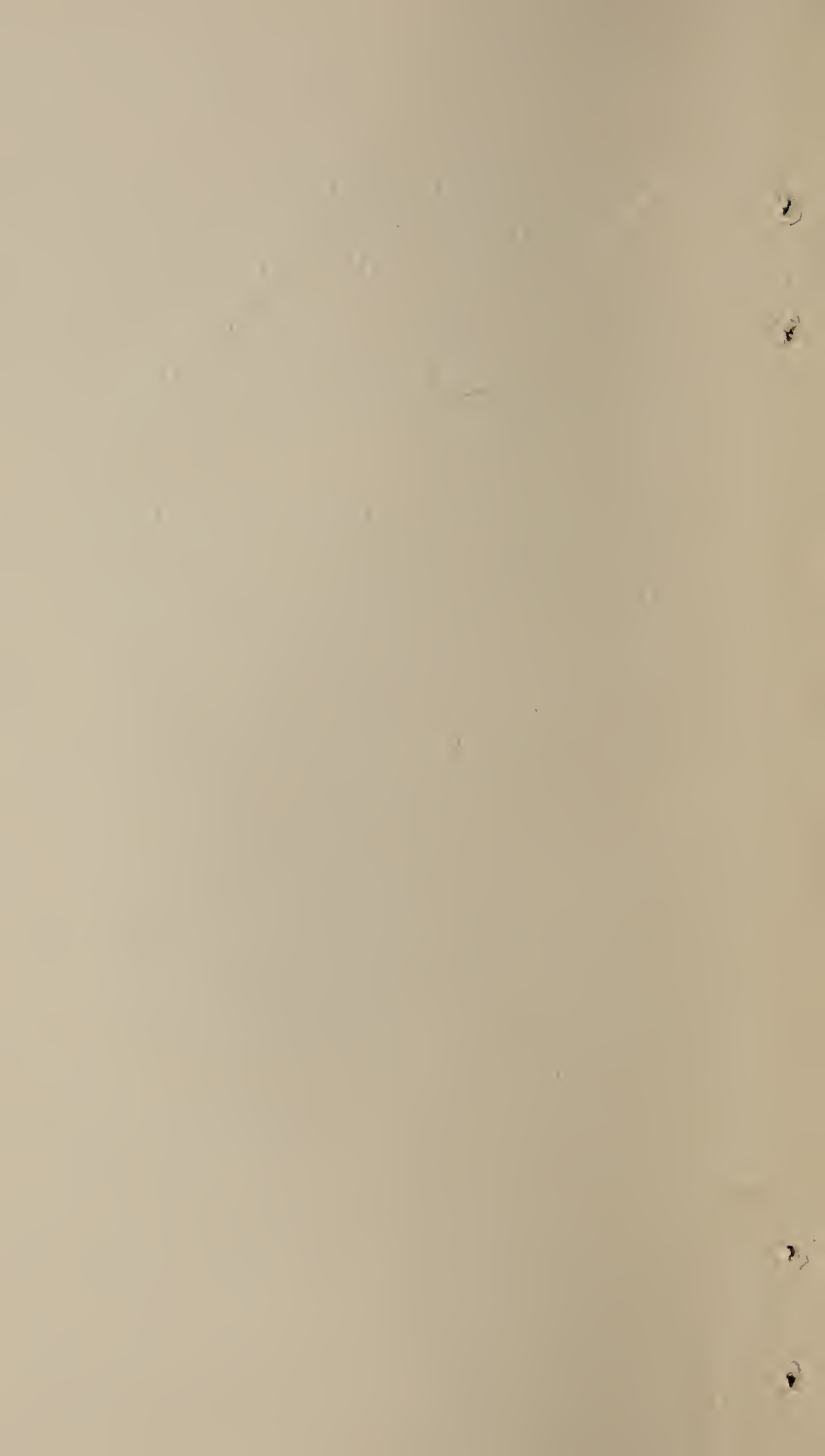
SECTION 2. The various standing committees shall frame rules and regulations for the performance of their respective functions.

SECTION 3. The number of members of the various standing committees shall be determined by the President except where definitely specified by the Board of Directors.

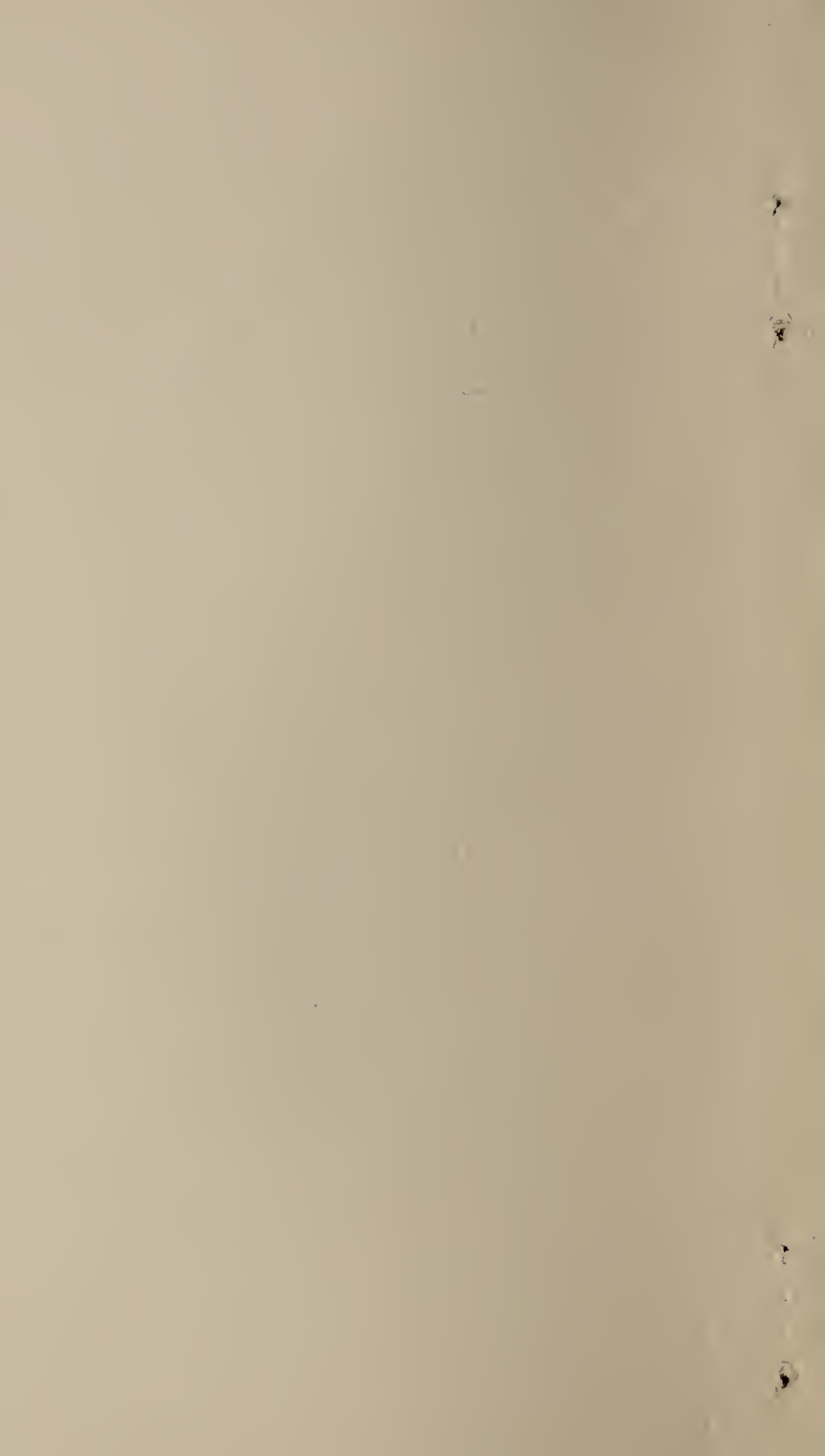
ARTICLE IV.

Amendments.

These By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of any meeting of the League, provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of such meeting.











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